

## National Training for Counselors and Mentors

Funding Education  
Beyond High School



Academic Year  
**2009–10**

## FINANCIAL AID TRAINING FOR YOU

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### Program Description

National Training for Counselors and Mentors (NT4CM) provides **free** training and support for counselors and mentors who assist students and their families in preparing financially for college. Professional trainers provide comprehensive up-to-date information regarding federal and state student aid programs, scholarship searches, and financial aid fraud. Participants learn how to access free resources such as fact sheets, brochures, and PowerPoint presentations to help them help their students. After the training, participants will receive ongoing information and support.

### Participants

NT4CM is available for any individual who advises students and their families on how to fund education beyond high school.

### Training Dates and Locations

Training workshops of approximately 4–6 hours are offered annually and take place in states electing to participate. Participating states either provide training using the NT4CM materials in their entirety or incorporate portions of the materials into existing training programs. Workshops typically take place from October through December, although some states offer training earlier or later. States participating in the 2009–10 academic year initiative are added to the NT4CM Web site at [www.fsa4counselors.ed.gov/nt4cm](http://www.fsa4counselors.ed.gov/nt4cm) as information becomes available.

If your state does not elect to participate, it might provide other training programs for counselors and mentors. The NT4CM Web site features a State Training Programs page that provides information to help you find training in your state.

### Registration

Registration for participating states will begin in summer 2008 on the NT4CM Web site.